

Listing of Claims

1 – 2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 19 further including a second display configured to display a current value of the jackpot prizes.

4. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 3 wherein the second display is mounted in a top box of the gaming machine.

5. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 19 wherein the user interface includes a bet selecting arrangement selected from a group which includes at least one of the following: a keypad, a touch screen, and an array of buttons.

6. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 19 wherein the user interface is configured to enable a selection of one of the wagers prior to initiating a game play of the wagering game.

7. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 6 wherein the wagers are each a multiple of a common amount.

8 – 9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 19 wherein the jackpot prizes accumulate from a predetermined minimum value and are incremented towards a predetermined maximum value.

11. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine as claimed in claim 19 wherein when each jackpot prize is contributed to, it is contributed to by a portion of the amount wagered.

12 – 18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) A gaming machine, comprising a game control system arranged to:

implement a game;

allow a player to select one of a plurality of different wagers that can be staked on an outcome of the game;

select only one jackpot prize from a plurality of jackpot prizes as an eligible jackpot prize based on the one of the plurality of different wagers selected to be staked on the outcome of the game;

increment only the eligible jackpot prize based on the selected wager; and

if a jackpot awarding criterion occurs, award only the eligible jackpot prize to the player.

20. (Previously Presented) A gaming system including a plurality of gaming machines as claimed in claim 19 linked together so that the plurality of jackpot prizes are common to the plurality of gaming machines.

21. (Previously Presented) The gaming system of claim 20, wherein the wagering games provided by at least two the plurality of gaming machines are different types of wagering games.

22. (Currently Amended) A gaming machine that provides a wagering game, the gaming machine comprising:

a game controller and a user interface, the user interface operable by a player to specify one of a plurality of different possible wagers to stake in the wagering game;

a display that displays the outcome of the wagering game; and

a plurality of jackpot prizes that are each awardable during play of the wagering game, wherein [[a]] only one selection of less than all of the jackpots is contributed to in response to the staking of a [[said]] wager by the player, the selection changing dependent on which of the plurality of different possible wagers was staked.

23. (Previously Presented) The gaming machine of claim 22, wherein during play of the wagering game the player is only eligible to win a said jackpot that is contributed to in response to the wager that the player staked.

24. (Currently Amended) A gaming system including a plurality of gaming machines, the gaming system maintaining a plurality of jackpot prizes that are awardable at any of the gaming machines during play of the gaming machines, wherein [[a]] only one selection of less than all of the jackpots is contributed to in response to the staking of a [[said]] wager at any of the gaming machines, the selection changing dependent on the value of the staked wager.

25. (Previously Presented) The gaming system of claim 24, wherein during play of the wagering game the player is only eligible to win a said jackpot that is contributed to in response to the wager that the player staked.